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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/443,712 for
METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR COMMUNICATING SIGNALING
SYSTEM 7 (SS7) USER PART MESSAGES AMONG SS7
SIGNALING POINTS (SPs) AND INTERNET PROTOCOL (IP)
NODES USING TRANSFER POINTS (STPs)
Our File No. 1322/8

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO/SB/08A (1 page), in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references (2 references);
4. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants' undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the following references. Form PTO/SB/08A is attached hereto. Copies of the references are also enclosed. This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

WO Patent Publication No. 00/19758 to Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson discloses signalling in a telecommunications system.

WO Patent Publication No. 98/28885 to Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson discloses an Internet-SS7 gateway.

Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

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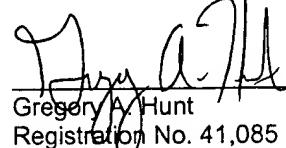
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